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CELLS

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.114

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Examiner Langel:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated August 11, 2008, and the Advisory Action dated October 24, 2008, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Applicants notes that this communication accompanies a Request for Continued Examination and the associated fee.

Applicant believes this response to be timely filed and that no fee is due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent, resulting in a rejected or incorrect credit card

transaction, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: